

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings, of claims which are currently of record in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A cup lid for placement onto the rim of a drinking cup having a substantially circular opening at its upper end, comprising: a cover portion having two equal sides with a drinking access port defined therein and located on a first side, and a condiment opening defined therein and located substantially on an opposite second side, the condiment opening being substantially diametrically opposite from the drinking access port; a rim portion around the periphery of the cover portion, and sealingly securable to the upper end of the drinking cup; and a flexible arm integrally formed with the rim portion and extending outwardly therefrom, the flexible arm having a sealing member at an end remote from the rim portion for sealably closing the condiment opening when the condiment opening is not in use.
2. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said cup lid is dome shaped and is such that said cover portion is disposed above said rim portion.
3. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said drinking access port is in the peripheral region of said cover portion.
4. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said drinking access port provides a readily accessible drinking opening.
5. (Currently Amended) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said drinking access port is defined by a hanging [~~banging~~] chad such that when said hanging chad is dislocated downwardly from said drinking access port, a drinking opening is provided.

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6. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said flexible arm is adjacent to said condiment opening and separated therefrom by said rim portion.
7. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said cover portion further has a recess formed therein, which is disposed in the region between said drinking access port and said condiment opening, for the accommodation of the lip of the consumer when the consumer is tilting the drinking cup and drinking from said drinking access port.
8. (Currently Amended) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said condiment opening has a stiffening rib {ribs} around the peripheral region thereof, and wherein said sealing member has a plug portion formed thereon which is dimensioned for fitment with said stiffening rib {ribs} such that when said condiment opening is not in use, said plug portion of said sealing member frictionally engages with said stiffening rib {ribs} so as to sealably close said condiment opening.
9. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said condiment opening is a punched through opening, and wherein said sealing member has engaging means formed in the peripheral region thereof such that when said condiment opening is not in use, said engaging means of said sealing member frictionally engages with said cover portion surrounding said condiment opening so as to sealably close said condiment opening.
10. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said sealing member further has a tab outwardly extending therefrom which aids in the closing and opening of the condiment opening.
11. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, further comprising a tab outwardly extending from said sealing member and diametrically opposed from said flexible arm such that when said condiment opening is sealably closed by said sealing member, said tab provides a cover for said drinking access port.
12. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said rim portion has a channel defined

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therein, and a skirt downwardly extending therefrom such that when said cup lid is sealingly secured to the upper end of the drinking cup, the rim of the drinking cup is received in said channel of said cup lid and frictionally fitted therein.

13. (Previously Amended) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said cup lid is thermoformed from extruded plastics sheet material, wherein said cover portion, said rim portion, and said flexible arm together have an extrusion grain, and wherein said flexible arm has a longitudinal axis which is substantially aligned with said extrusion grain.

14. (Original) The cup lid of claim 1, wherein said cup lid is flat and is such that said cover portion and said rim portion lie substantially in the same plane.

15. (Original) The cup lid of claim 14, wherein said drinking access port is defined by a tearable fold-back tab such that when said fold-back tab is torn and folded back, away from said rim portion of said cup lid, a drinking opening is provided.

16. (Original) The cup lid of claim 15, wherein said cup lid is thermoformed from extruded plastics sheet material, wherein said cover portion, said rim portion, and said tearable fold-back tab have an extrusion grain, and wherein said tearable fold-back tab has a longitudinal axis which is substantially aligned with said extrusion grain.

17. (Original) The cup lid of claim 14, wherein said drinking access port is defined by a tear tab such that when said tab is torn and dislocated away from said drinking access port, a drinking opening is provided.

18. (Original) The cup lid of claim 17, wherein said cup lid is thermoformed from extruded plastics sheet material, wherein said cover portion, said rim portion, and said tear tab have parallel extrusion grains, and wherein said tear tab has a longitudinal axis which is substantially aligned with said extrusion grain.